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MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003, for which a response is due on October 15, 2003. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to December 15, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Applicant has given careful consideration to the issues raised in the outstanding Office Action, and present the following Amendments and Remarks in response. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended in light of the remarks presented herein, is respectfully requested.

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